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Honorable Frank J. Felix State Senator Senate Wing - State Capitol Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Dear Senator Felix:

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By this letter, I am responding to your recent inquiry as to whether the Board of Directors of a state institution may legally call an executive session to discuss (1) management of Trust Fund investments, (2) legislative proposals, and (3) time and place of next Board meeting.

We believe that discussion of such matters in an executive session would violate the Open Meeting Law. The only relevant exceptions set forth in the law pertain to personnel matters, labor negotiations, advice of counsel, and consideration of records that are confidential by law.

A copy of our recent Opinion covering the Open Meeting Law is enclosed. As you know, the Open Meeting Law provides certain clear remedies for violations; I am enclosing for your information a copy of the civil and criminal penalty sections.

Please let me know if we can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

